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## GOVERNOR BROWN APPOINTS TWO JUDGES TO TULARE COUNTY BENCH

Governor Brown announced the appointment of John P. Bianco and Nathan G. Leedy to judgeships in the Tulare County Superior Court.

"The court is very pleased with the two new appointments," said Presiding Judge Gary Paden, "Both attorneys are well respected and bring with them their own unique knowledge and experience. They will make great additions to our bench."

Bianco, 51, has been a private practitioner at the Bianco Law Firm since 1994. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from Whittier Law School and a Bachelor of Business Administration from Santa Clara University. Bianco fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Darryl B. Ferguson.

Leedy, 38, has served as a Deputy Public Defender at the Tulare County Public Defender's Office since 2004. He earned his Juris Doctor from the University of San Diego, School of Law and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Leedy fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Lloyd L. Hicks.

Judicial assignments for the new appointments have not yet been determined.